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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of :
Douglas M. Kerchner : Confirmation No. 3732
Serial No.: 10/797,864 : Group Art Unit: 3748
Filed: March 10, 2004 : Examiner: Binh Q. Tran
For: EXHAUST SYSTEM ASSEMBLIES EMPLOYING WIRE BUSHINGS FOR
THERMAL COMPENSATION

REPLY

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In reply to the Office Action mailed on August 24, 2005, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 6 of this paper.